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ABSTRACT

A graphic and tabular summary is presented of the numbers and percentages of Vermont public and private high school graduates who were reported to be entering higher education, other education beyond high school and various other pursuits each year from 1971 through 1976. The data are classified according to numbers and percentages entering Vermont public institutions, Vermont private institutions, and out-of-state institutions. The report notes a decline in percentages of Vermont high school graduates enrolling in higher education, enrolling in publicly-supported colleges and universities, pursuing other education beyond high school, and an increase in the percentages employed in Vermont directly following graduation from high school. (Author/LBH)

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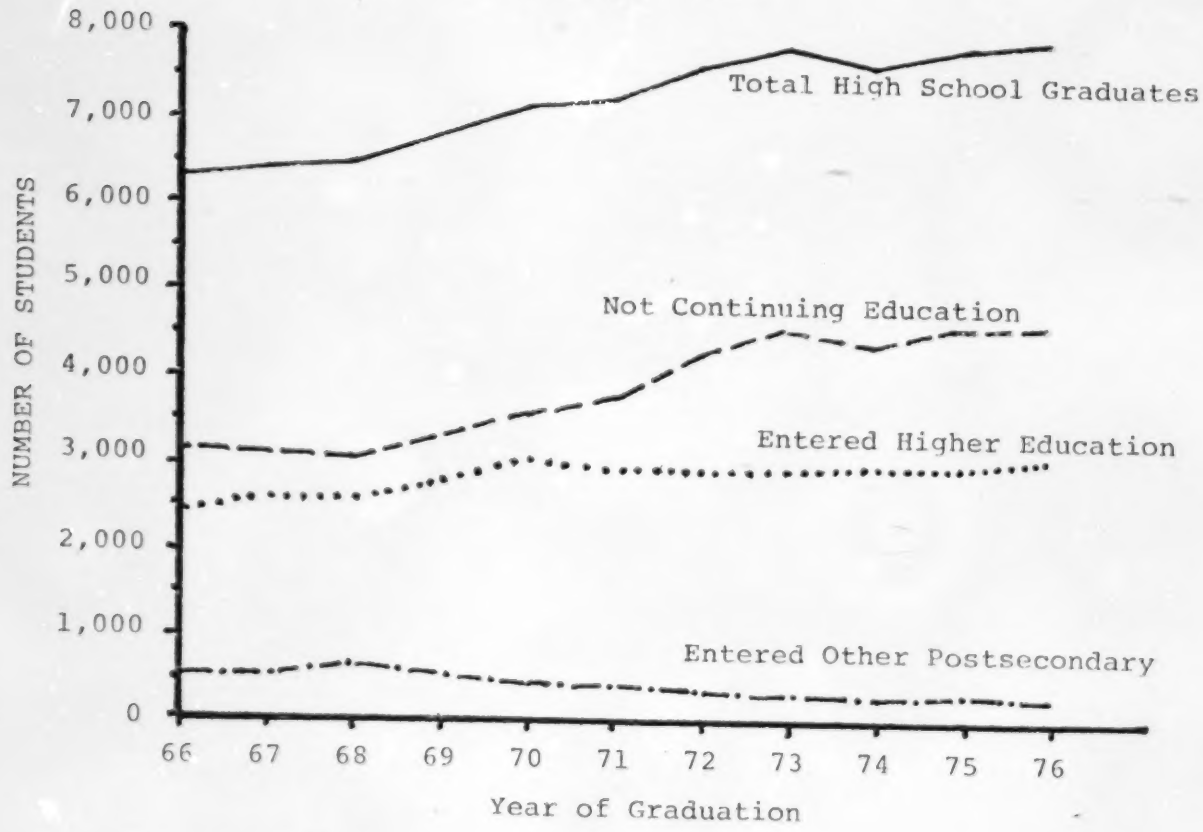
WHAT VERMONT HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS DO AFTER GRADUATION

Each year the Vermont Department of Education conducts a survey of Vermont high school graduates to determine what they do within the year following graduation. The graph below illustrates the slight growth in the number of Vermont students directly entering higher education after graduation against the relatively substantial growth in the number of students not continuing their education.

Nationally, as reported by the Bureau of Census' Current Population Reports, Series P-20 Nos. 286 and 303, 47% of all high school students graduating in 1974 enrolled in higher education the following year, and in 1975 that figure climbed to 50%. The proportions of Vermont graduates enrolled in higher education for those years are 39% and 38% respectively, and returns to 39% for 1976 graduates.

VERMONT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE ACTIVITY
1966 - 1976



Source: Vermont Department of Education

The accompanying table, "What Vermont High School Students Do After Graduation, 1971-1976", provides a year by year comparison of post graduation activity.

The proportion of graduates attending Vermont private schools has remained stable at six to seven percent, but the proportion attending public institutions has steadily decreased from 23% in 1971 to 18% for the class of 1976.

The proportion of graduates enrolled in postsecondary education, other than higher education, has steadily declined from 7% in 1971 to 3% in 1976. The proportion of graduates employed in Vermont following graduation has grown from 31% in 1971 to 36% in 1976 while the other activities of these graduates not continuing their education have remained relatively stable.

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1971-1976

Type of Institution or Activity	71		72		73		74		75		76	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY PROGRAMS												
Public	1634	23	1568	21	1463	19	1511	20	1447	19	1418	18
Private	428	6	458	6	464	6	487	6	496	6	549	7
Out-of-State	899	12	858	11	971	13	912	12	974	13	1043	13
Total Higher Education	2961	41	2884	38	2898	37	2910	39	2917	38	3010	39
OTHER EDUCATION BEYOND HIGH SCHOOL												
Public (includes High School Postgraduates)	210	3	173	2	133	2	137	2	168	2	126	2
Private	117	2	71	1	62	1	68	1	65	1	62	1
Out-of-State	158	2	145	2	132	2	76	0	75	1	80	1
Total Other Education Beyond High Schcol	485	7	389	5	327	4	281	4	308	4	268	3
TOTAL CONTINUING EDUCATION	3446	48	3273	44	3225	42	3191	42	3225	42	3278	42
GRADUATES NOT CONTINUING THEIR EDUCATION												
Military Service	354	5	396	5	357	5	402	5	497	6	486	6
Job (In Vermont)	2260	31	2556	34	2987	39	2843	38	2776	36	2839	36
Job (Out-of-State)	128	2	202	3	216	3	185	2	204	3	229	3
Homemaking	347	5	386	5	371	5	*	*	*	*	*	*
Not in School or Employed	494	7	460	6	370	5	732	10	837	11	719	9
Location Unknown	165	2	244	3	217	3	177	2	196	3	255	3
Deceased	3	0	2	0	8	0	5	0	18	0	3	0
Total Not Continuing Ed.	3751	52	4246	56	4526	58	4344	58	4528	58	4531	58
TOTAL NUMBER HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES	7197	100	7519	100	7751	100	7535	100	7753	100	7809	100

*Starting 1974 this data on students entering homemaking is no longer being collected.
Source: Vermont Department of Education, Study of Vermont High School Graduates.
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